

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, paragraph [0033]:

[0033] The user then creates an electronic identity for the token in the following manner. He places the token in or on a measuring unit (12), which in the present embodiment comprises a platform (10), a camera (6) and weighing scales (8). The unit then measures one or more physical characteristics of the token, for example the size, shape, colour and/or weight of the seashell. The measurement data obtained is then sent to the processing unit (14) to generate an electronic identity (22), which could be a simple direct reference to one measurement parameter, e.g. the size of the token. More preferably, the identity could be a more complex object identification profile (OIP) of a combination of the token's [[the]] size, shape, colour and/or weight. The advantage of creating an OIP is improved accuracy in recognising the token when it is next introduced to the system.